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## COLORED WOMAN SHOTS WHITE MAN AT JUNCTION

**John Odenshaw, Laborer, Was Fatally Shot by Mrs. Mattie Harris, Colored, at Her Home Near Railroad Junction, Wednesday Night.**

John Odenshaw, white, laborer, about 30 years of age, lies at the Kessler hospital hovering between life and death from a bullet wound in the left side just below the heart, which he received Wednesday night about midnight at the hands of Mrs. Mattie Harris, colored. The shooting occurred at the colored woman's home at a Mrs. Gill's, at Barnes crossing, near the railroad junction.

## COUNTY COURT CONVENES

**First Day Devoted Mostly to Hearing Road Surveyors' Reports and Considering Road Questions.**

County court convened Monday morning in September term, with all the members present. The day was devoted mostly to hearing the reports of road surveyors and considering road questions. Attorney Joseph L. Rhodes qualified as a notary public. The term will likely be short, not lasting more than three days. The county court was in session Tuesday again. The forenoon was devoted to hearing complaints of various kinds and to road questions. Not a single order was passed, the time of the court being taken up with other matters.

John A. Fleming was exonerated from the payment of taxes to the amount of \$21.45, on account of erroneous assessment. The whiskey license of Carter & Davis was transferred to Davis & Willis. Lafayette Swiger gave new bond as notary public, with A. D. Wilkins as surety. Stock brokerage license was granted to Edward T. C. Sledge & Co. The county court transacted some business today. The Fairmont & Clarksburg Electric Railroad company was exonerated from the payment of \$17.86 in taxes, and V. L. Highland and S. C. Denham from \$52.21.

A contract was awarded to the J. B. and J. M. Cornell company for two metal cases for the circuit clerk's office at a cost of \$2,200. The cases are to be in position by December 15. The order granting the Finlay Brewing company a wholesale liquor license at its place of business on Main street was annulled, there being an error and mistake, and the company was refunded \$350, the amount of the license tax. The resignation of Herbert L. Davis as constable in Clark district was tendered and accepted.

Jesse F. Sturm and others were granted a franchise to use public roads in the lower end of the county for a telephone line. C. C. Pittro, Thomas C. White and W. G. Kester were appointed viewers of a proposed extension of Point street in Broad Oaks through the properties of B. F. Shuttleworth, R. L. Lowndes and Arthur D. Talbot. Cigarette license was issued to M. M. Banks, of Salem. The Chicago Gas and Electric Fixture Manufacturing company was awarded the contract for gas fixtures for sheriff's residence and new jail. A portion of precinct No. 2 of Tennille district was transferred to precinct No. 10, near Salem.

F. W. Cunningham, Thomas Hawker and J. L. Murray were appointed viewers of changes for reasonably good grade of the public road from the bridge across Bingham creek. Superintendent B. S. Davis, of the county infirmary, made his quarterly report to the court. It shows that there are 24 inmates in the institution, of whom fourteen are males and ten females. They are all adults and mostly aged. Cigarette license was granted to Zaruba & Durish, this city.

The marked contrast to the great number of patent medicines, cure-alls and secret preparations is Walther's Peptonized Port. This preparation claims no magic virtues, has no mysterious composition, and does not presume upon the intelligence of the people by pretending to be a sovereign cure for all the ills to which the flesh is heir. Walther's Peptonized Port comes as a common sense tonic, composed of two well-known remedies—port wine and pepton, about the efficacy of which there is no question. All druggists sell Walther's Peptonized Port. Small size 50 cents, large size \$1.00.

**WEDDING ON SHINN'S RUN**  
Mr. William Benson and Miss Stella Southern joined in bonds of holy wedlock. The marriage of Mr. William E. Benson, of Overfield, and Miss Stella Lee Southern, of Shinn's run, occurred Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Southern. Rev. W. J. Newlon, of Olive, the bride's pastor, officiated in the presence of quite a number of relatives and friends. After the ceremony a reception was held and a sumptuous supper served. Mr. and Mrs. Benson will reside here. Mr. Benson being engaged as bookkeeper in the office of the Finlay Brewing company here.

**LICENSED TO MARRY.**  
A marriage license was issued today to the following persons: John Marshall Boggess and Laura B. Kemper. For a bilious attack take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and a quick cure is certain. For sale by G. C. Stone, druggist.

## SENTENCED IS M'HALE TO PEN

**MAN ACCUSED OF BURGLARIZING MEAT SHOP AT ADAMSTON IS FOUND GUILTY.**

**JUDGE MASON IMPOSES A SENTENCE OF ONE YEAR IN THE PENITENTIARY AT MOUNDSVILLE ON HIM.**

William J. Riffe tried for shooting leg off of Brent Vincent at Gypsy a Year Ago—Other Circuit Court Matters.

The jury in the case of Thomas McHale, indicted for felony, brought in a verdict Wednesday evening in the circuit court of guilty, and Judge John W. Mason sentenced him the same evening to one year at hard labor in the penitentiary at Moundsville. He will be removed from the county jail to that institution by the sheriff at the first practicable moment. McHale was charged with burglarizing Criss & Claussman's meat shop at Adamston January 2 last. He was arrested the next day and has been in jail here and at Weston ever since. He was tried at the May term of court last, but the jury disagreed. The jury that tried him at that term did not find him guilty of breaking into the shop, but of entering and carrying away. It appears that he stole two coupon books and a ham or two.

William Joseph Riffe was placed on trial Thursday morning for shooting Brent Vincent at Gypsy a little over a year ago. Vincent lost a leg by the shooting. Riffe claims that it was accidental.

Decree of sale was entered in the cause of Edward Bussey, guardian, against Mande Bussey and others.

A similar order was made in the cause of P. A. Haught, guardian, vs. Ellis Guy Haught and others.

A decree of partition was entered in the cause of Charles R. Pell against Benjamin W. Pell and others, and Charles C. Pittro, John Patton and Benjamin Bassel Stout were appointed partition commissioners.

Sale was decreed in the cause of Lynn S. Hornor vs. A. H. Norman and others. Sale was confirmed in the cause of John L. Alexander vs. George Lanham and others.

An order confirming disbursements was made in the cause of Sarah C. Randall vs. Sabina F. Boggess.

The answer of Augustus W. Coffman and others was filed in the cause of Joseph E. Barnes against Jasper N. Coffman et al.

William Green was found guilty of a misdemeanor and was fined \$10 and sentenced to thirty days in jail.

Edward Reeder was acquitted of a misdemeanor charge.

William Talkington pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor and was fined \$25 and costs.

Peter Randolph was discharged from the indictment against him.

George Buckhannon, indicted for felony, gave bond of \$1,000 for his appearance next term of court for trial.

Epifanio Fernandez Vanga, of Mongalia county, qualified as an attorney at this bar.

## A REMARKABLE RECORD.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has a remarkable record. It has been in use for over thirty years, during which time many millions of bottles have been sold and used. It has long been the standard and main reliance in the treatment of croup in thousands of homes, yet during all this time no case has ever been reported to the manufacturers in which it failed to effect a cure. When given as soon as the child becomes hoarse or even as soon as the croupy cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is pleasant to take, many children like it. It contains no opium or other harmful substance and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. For sale by G. C. Stone, druggist.

## DEATH OF MISS PRIMM

Mary Jane Primm, daughter of William Primm, died at her home at Adamston Thursday morning at 5 o'clock after a lingering illness with consumption. She was 20 years of age. Deceased is survived by her father, three brothers and one sister. The brothers are Henry, Harry and William Primm, and the sister, Mrs. Clarence Flowers. Miss Primm was a popular young lady and her death is mourned in a large circle of friends. The funeral will occur from the late residence Friday afternoon. Burial will be in the Masonic cemetery.

## SLAV SHOTS FRIEND IN QUARREL

**MEJK SWENKAFEW PROBABLY FATALLY SHOT BY JOHN PECITELLO NEAR COLUMBIA MINE THURSDAY.**

**MEN BECAME INVOLVED IN QUARREL OVER POSSESSION OF PET DOG AND ONE SHOTS THE OTHER.**

Wounded Man is in a Precarious Condition and is Not Expected to Live. Pecitello Has Fled the Country, But Officers are After Him.

Mejk Swenkafew, a Slav, living in the neighborhood of the Columbia coal mine, was shot and perhaps fatally wounded by John Pecitello, during a quarrel near the mining camp Thursday morning. Swenkafew was shot in the right breast and in the right thigh and is now at his home in a precarious condition. His death is expected at any moment.

The two men were companions, it appears. They became involved in a quarrel over the possession of a pet dog, while walking towards the mining camp, and in a heat of rage Pecitello drew a 32-calibre revolver from his pocket and shot Swenkafew twice. One bullet entered the right breast, making an ugly wound, and the other pierced the upper part of the right leg. The wound in the breast is a serious one and will probably prove fatal.

Pecitello made his escape after the shooting and has not been seen around the mining camp since. So far, no legal action has been taken, but the officers are on the outlook for the man who did the shooting, and he will probably be apprehended in a short time.

Swenkafew is a single man and had been working as a laborer near the Columbia mines for some time.

## ANOTHER RURAL ROUTE

**FOR THE FREE DELIVERY OF MAILS WILL BE ESTABLISHED IN THIS COUNTY OCTOBER 1, ACCORDING TO REPORT.**

Will Extend from Wilsonburg to Katlyick, Sardis, Isaac's Creek, Lambert's Run and Down Johnson's Fork of Limestone Creek.

It is semi-officially stated that another rural free delivery mail route for this county has been secured, through the influence and recommendation of Congressman B. B. Dovenor, together with the assistance of the patrons who reside along the proposed route.

The route begins at Wilsonburg, extends to Katlyick, then to Sardis, thence up Flag Run, thence down Isaac's creek and up Gregory's run to the school house, thence over to the headwaters of one branch of Lambert's run, thence to Gregory's run, thence down Johnson's fork of Limestone creek to the beginning, covering a distance of over 20 miles and taking the carrier almost a day to make the trip.

The free delivery of mail over this route will, it is stated, begin October 1 next. It is possible that the Sardis and Katlyick postoffices will be abandoned, although this has not been officially announced.

The prospective service will be advantageous to all residing along this route and will be highly appreciated by them.

## SCHOOL FOR PINNICKINNICK

The city school board will establish a school at Pinnickinnick mines for the benefit of the people in that section. The Fairmont Coal company has furnished the board a house for the purpose and the work of arranging it for school purposes has begun.

The great American trouble is indigestion, largely a result of the great American habit of hurry. Hastily swallowed meals are probably the greatest cause of indigestion. The stomach is given more than its share of work and is weakened. The first thing to do in correcting the trouble is to stop fast eating. The next thing is to take a good digestive tonic to strengthen the digestion and enrich the impoverished blood. Such a tonic is Walther's Peptonized Port, a simple preparation of pure pepton and good port wine, to be had at all druggists. Small size 50 cents, large size \$1.00.

## STABBED FELLOW WORKMAN

**T. C. GIVENS BADLY CUT AND STABBED BY ALBERT ECHARD AT ADAMSTON TUESDAY NIGHT.**

**MEN WERE QUARRELING AND ANGRY WORDS LED TO FIGHT WITH SERIOUS RESULTS.**

Albert Echard, a workman, employed at the coal tipple of the Fairmont & Clarksburg Coal company's Adamston mine, seriously cut and stabbed T. W. Givens, a fellow workman, in a quarrel between the two on the hill above the mine entrance Tuesday night about 9 o'clock. Echard was arrested shortly afterwards by two constables, who chased him a distance of a mile or so down the railroad track, and placed in jail to await trial. The constables had to fire their revolvers at the fleeing man to induce him to stop.

Echard and Givens got to quarrelling over a woman, it is said. Angry words led to blows and in the heat of the quarrel Echard pulled his pocket knife from his pocket and, opening the big blade, made a lunge for Givens. The latter was stabbed two times, once in the upper part of the left arm and once in the left breast, just above the heart. The wound above the heart, although not a very deep one, is serious. The muscles of the arm were cut and jagged in a bad manner.

Givens was carried to his home nearby by men who rushed to the scene. Doctors were summoned and rendered medical attention.

Shortly after the cutting, D. W. Givens, the injured man's father, procured a warrant from Magistrate S. W. Gordon, charging Echard with feloniously stabbing and cutting with intent to kill. The warrant was placed in the hands of Constable McClung and Edgell, who went immediately to Adamston to find Echard.

The officers found Echard near the mines about 9 o'clock, but when the latter saw the officers coming he took out on a dead run up the railroad track. The officers ran after him and a lively chase ensued. After running for quite a distance, Constable McClung fired his revolver into the air three or four times to scare the escaping man. Echard slowed up and the officers paced him under arrest. He was brought to the city on a street car and placed in jail to await trial.

Givens' injuries are not considered fatal, but they are of a serious nature and the attending physicians do not know what the outcome will be. He will probably be confined to his bed for a long time. Echard is a Harrisville man. He has been working in this vicinity for some time past.

## NO. 1530. STATEMENT.

**REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF WEST VIRGINIA AT CLARKSBURG**

In the State of West Virginia At the close of Business, Sept. 9, 1903.	
Assets	Liabilities
Loans and Discounts \$ 47,142.25	Capital stock paid in \$ 100,000.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 2,262.40	Surplus fund 57,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 10,000.00	Dividends unpaid 9.00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Deposits 20,000.00	Undivided profits 25,330.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds 22,220.00	Deposits, viz:
Stocks, securities, etc. 25,000.00	Subject to Check 307,100.92
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) 12,100.00	Demand certificates 12,104.70
Due from State Banks and bankers 29,970.00	Savings deposits 95,000.00
Due from approved reserve agents 12,100.00	Due to Banks 99,221.55
Checks and other cash items 44,220.00	606,436.17
Internal Revenue stamps 12,100.00	Cashiers checks
Notes of other National Banks 1,250.00	
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents 1,250.00	
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:	
Specie 14,535.00	
Legal Tender Notes 24,347.50	
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasury (5 per cent. of circulation) 4,000.00	
Total \$ 682,722.35	
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in \$ 100,000.00	
Surplus fund 57,000.00	
Dividends unpaid 9.00	
Undivided profits 25,330.00	
Deposits, viz:	
Subject to Check 307,100.92	
Demand certificates 12,104.70	
Savings deposits 95,000.00	
Due to Banks 99,221.55	
606,436.17	
Cashiers checks	
Total \$ 682,722.35	

State of West Virginia, County of Harrison: I, E. D. Tamm, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

S. H. HARRISON, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of Sept. 1903.

E. E. Nelson, Notary Public.

Corrected attest: J. V. HIGDON, J. T. LOWMEYER, Jr. } Directors.

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE TRADERS National Bank AT CLARKSBURG.

In the State of West Virginia At the close of Business, Sept. 9, 1903.	
Assets	Liabilities
Loans and Discounts \$ 66,712.77	Capital stock paid in \$ 50,000.00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 2,211.40	Surplus fund 20,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 10,000.00	Dividends unpaid 9.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds 22,220.00	Undivided profits 25,330.00
Stocks, securities, etc. 25,000.00	Deposits, viz:
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents) 12,100.00	Subject to Check 307,100.92
Due from State Banks and bankers 29,970.00	Demand certificates 12,104.70
Due from approved reserve agents 12,100.00	Savings deposits 95,000.00
Checks and other cash items 44,220.00	Due to Banks 99,221.55
Notes of other National Banks 1,250.00	606,436.17
Fractional paper currency, nickels and cents 1,250.00	Cashiers checks
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, viz:	
Specie 14,535.00	
Legal Tender Notes 24,347.50	
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasury (5 per cent. of circulation) 4,000.00	
Total \$ 614,645.74	
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in \$ 50,000.00	
Surplus fund 20,000.00	
Dividends unpaid 9.00	
Undivided profits 25,330.00	
Deposits, viz:	
Subject to Check 307,100.92	
Demand certificates 12,104.70	
Savings deposits 95,000.00	
Due to Banks 99,221.55	
606,436.17	
Cashiers checks	
Total \$ 614,645.74	

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Peoples Banking & Trust Co.

Located at Clarksburg in the State of West Virginia at the close of business Sept. 9, 1903. Bank first began business Oct. 10, 1900.

Assets	Liabilities
Loans and Discounts \$ 441,296.14	Capital stock paid in \$ 100,000.00
Overdrafts 1,000.00	Surplus fund 57,000.00
Banking house, furniture and fixtures 7,507.93	Dividends unpaid 9.00
Due from Banks 235,001.96	Undivided profits 25,330.00
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK 21,776.15	Deposits, viz:
Revenue Stamps 3,904.02	Subject to Check 307,100.92
Total \$ 721,776.22	Demand certificates 12,104.70
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in \$ 100,000.00	Savings deposits 95,000.00
Surplus fund 57,000.00	Due to Banks 99,221.55
Dividends unpaid 9.00	606,436.17
Undivided profits 25,330.00	Cashiers checks
Deposits, viz:	
Subject to Check 307,100.92	
Demand certificates 12,104.70	
Savings deposits 95,000.00	
Due to Banks 99,221.55	
606,436.17	
Cashiers checks	
Total \$ 721,776.22	

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE West Virginia Bank

Located at Clarksburg in the State of West Virginia at the close of business Sept. 9, 1903. Bank first began business Nov. 1899.

Assets	Liabilities
Loans and Discounts \$ 105,815.94	Capital stock paid in \$ 50,000.00
Overdrafts 2,148.54	Surplus fund 20,000.00
Stocks and securities, including premiums 30,000.00	Dividends unpaid 9.00
Banking house furniture and fixtures 1,265.00	Undivided profits 1,823.76
Due from Banks 21,946.35	Deposits, viz:
Checks and other cash items 119.07	Subject to Check 307,100.92
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK 6,205.55	Demand certificates 12,104.70
Expenses 628.46	Savings deposits 95,000.00
Total \$ 168,128.91	Due to Banks 99,221.55
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in \$ 50,000.00	606,436.17
Surplus fund 20,000.00	Cashiers checks
Dividends unpaid 9.00	
Undivided profits 1,823.76	
Deposits, viz:	
Subject to Check 307,100.92	
Demand certificates 12,104.70	
Savings deposits 95,000.00	
Due to Banks 99,221.55	
606,436.17	
Cashiers checks	
Total \$ 168,128.91	

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